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LETTER DATED 10 APRIL 1995 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF KAZAKHSTAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan concerning the situation on the Tajik-Afghan border.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the statement circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

Statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan lodges a vigorous protest with the official authorities of Afghanistan in connection with the concentrated firepower attack launched by detachments of the Tajik opposition from Afghan territory against a subunit of the Kazakh battalion of border troops and a detachment of Russian border troops performing guard duty along the Tajik-Afghan border at the request of the Tajik leaders and in accordance with the agreement reached by five States of the Commonwealth of Independent States.

As a result of this sudden act of banditry, Kazakh, Russian and Tajik border troops have been killed or wounded.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan calls upon the Afghan leaders to take all necessary measures to resolve the situation on the Afghan-Tajik border and prevent similar acts by irregulars of the Tajik opposition based in Afghanistan.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs also expresses the hope that the Tajik leaders will take immediate steps to promote the inter-Tajik dialogue.

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